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KC MAN CHARGED IN COUNTERFEITING CONSPIRACY

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Kansas City, Mo., man was indicted by a federal grand jury today for his role in a conspiracy to manufacture counterfeit money.

Dustin J. Young, 25, of Kansas City, was charged in a five-count indictment returned by a federal grand jury in Kansas City.

Count One of the federal indictment alleges that **Young** conspired with others to manufacture counterfeit money using a digital scanner/printer between August 2003 and Feb. 13, 2004. **Young** allegedly used the digital scanner to produce at least \$5,280 in counterfeit \$20 bills.

Count Two of the federal indictment alleges that **Young**, with intent to defraud, made counterfeit \$20 bills between August 2003 and Feb. 13, 2004.

Count Three of the federal indictment alleges that **Young** sold counterfeit \$20 bills between August 2003 until Feb. 13, 2004.

Count Four of the federal indictment alleges that **Young**, with intent to defraud, passed counterfeit \$20 bills on Feb. 10, 2004.

Count Five of the federal indictment is a forfeiture count, which would require **Young** to forfeit any proceeds derived as a result of the counterfeiting conspiracy, including two Hewlett Packard scanners, one Hewlett Packard hard drive, one Hewlett Packard monitor, and one Hewlett Packard keyboard. Law enforcement officers seized the computer equipment from **Young's** residence on Sept. 7, 2003.

Young was originally charged in a criminal complaint filed on Feb. 13, 2004, in Kansas City. Today's indictment replaces that criminal complaint.

Graves cautioned that the charges contained in the indictment are simply accusations, and not evidence of guilt. Evidence supporting the charges must be presented to a federal trial jury, whose duty is to determine guilt or innocence.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney John E. Cowles. It was investigated by the United States Secret Service, the Richmond, Mo., Police Department and the Independence, Mo., Police Department.

This news release, as well as additional information about the office of the United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, is available on-line at

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